

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1, after the title and before line 1, insert the following paragraph:

**CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION**

This is a continuation of International Application PCT/DE02/02215 filed June 12, 2002, which designated the U.S. All priorities are claimed.

Page 5, please replace lines 5 to 7 with the following amended paragraph.

Fig. 1 shows the functional components of a dental chair 1 equipped with a computer 2. Actuating elements or ~~state transitions~~ status changes defined as function keys 3 of a dental chair 1 are transmitted, on activation, as a function code 4 to the PC 2 via computer interfaces 5, 6.